

## 9140-Legals

non-federal organizations who submitted written comments or otherwise expressed interest in this particular action during the comment period specified at 215.6 have standing to appeal this decision.

The notice of appeal must be in writing, meet the appeal content requirements at 215.14 and be filed with the Appeal Deciding Officer:

*Forrest Cole, Forest Supervisor, Tongass National Forest*

*Forest Service, 648 Mission Street, Ketchikan, AK 99901*

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The Notice of Appeal, including attachments, must be filed (regular mail, fax, e-mail, express delivery or messenger service) with the Appeal Deciding Officer at the correct location within 45 calendar days after the publication of notice of this decision in the Ketchikan Daily News, the newspaper of record for the Craig Ranger District. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an appeal. Those wishing to appeal this decision should not rely upon dates or time-frame information provided by any other source.

Appeals submitted electronically, including attachments, must be in an electronic format compatible with Microsoft Word.

Hand delivered appeals will be accepted at the Forest Supervisor's office in the Federal Building at 648 Mission Street in Ketchikan during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.) Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Implementation of decisions subject to appeal pursuant to 36 CFR part 215, may occur on, but not before, 5 business days from the close of the appeal filing period.

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The Forest Service, Tongass National Forest, Craig Ranger District, has completed an Environmental Assessment for UCore Bokan Mountain Mining Plan of Operations, located in Kendrick Bay, to analyze proposed geotechnical drilling and a temporary camp for a five-year period. The Assessment was distributed for public comment for the 30 day period ending February 19, 2013. Based on this analysis and public comments Matt Anderson, Craig District Ranger, selected Alternative 2, approval of the Plan of Operations, to perform geotechnical drilling and construct a temporary camp in order to provide safe access for year-round environmental studies, with modifications to minimize or mitigate impacts to the environment.

Copies of this Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice may be obtained by contacting:

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They are also available on the web at the following link:

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This decision is subject to administrative review (appeal) pursuant to 36 CFR Part 215. Individuals or